Environmental projects in Sikkim

3252. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of environmental projects aided by Government in the State of Sikkim and funds allocated for each of the project and scheme; and

(b) the details of funds made available to Non-Governmental Organisations in Sikkim for environmental projects during each of last three years?

THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) and (b) The details of Projects/Schemes aided by Government in the State of Sikkim including NGOs and the funds released during last three years, is given in Statement.

Statement

Details of Projects/Schemes Aided by Government in State of Sikkim

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme/Project	Amount Released		
		2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Conservation of River Rani Chu at Gangtok, Sikkim	179.00	150.00	475.00
2.	National Environmental Awareness Campaign in the State of Sikkim (Funds Released to participating organisations *inter-alia* including NGOs)	-	5.63	6.64
3.	ENVIS Centre on Ecotourism at Dept. of Science & Technology, State Council of Science and Technology for Sikkim. Dev. Area Gangtok-737 101, Sikkim	4.71	6.04	2.21
4.	ENVIS Centre on Status of Environment and Related issues at Department of Forests, Environment and Wildlife—Sikkim, Secretariat, Gangtok-737 101, Sikkim	5.27	1.74	1.67
5.	Management Action Plan for Kanchanjunga Biosphere Reserve	63.27	31.57	58.43

1	2	3	4	5
6.	Study on the Biodiversity of Agaricus of Sikkim	-	3.89	1.52
7.	Assistance for Jawaharlal Nehru Botanical Garden, Rumteak, Sikkim	-	15.00	15.00
8.	Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries	74.40	118.84	140.38
9.	Integrated Forest Protection Scheme	80.00	-	141.70
10.	National Afforestation Programme, Through Forest Development Agency and Joint Forest Management Committees	394.00	623.00	741.00

Adverse effects of climate change

3253. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the Global Environment Facility has announced that India would get 30 million dollars for bio-diversity and 75 million dollars for climate change in the next four years;

(b) If so, whether proposals have been drawn as to how the above amount would be spent, year-wise, so that maximum advantage could be taken; and

(c) The details of the steps already taken by the Government towards controlling adverse effects of climate change?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Ministry of Environment and Forests receives project proposals/ concept notes on biodiversity and climate change on a rolling basis throughout the year.

(c) The existing legislative and policy framework in various sectors of concern, together with wide ranging reforms contribute to addressing the climate change issues. They, interalia, include energy efficiency measures, energy conservation, power sector reforms and active renewable energy programme, fuel switching to cleaner energy, afforestation and conservation of forests, steps to encourage efficient, utilization of coal, reduction of gas